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SUBJECT: CHRISTMAS MESSAGE TO PRESIDENT GEORGE W. BUSH FROM PRESIDENT OF THE REPUBLIC OF MALDIVES MOHAMED NASHEED

 $\underline{\mbox{1}}\mbox{1}.$ U.S. Embassy Colombo received the following diplomatic note from Foreign Ministry of The Maldives.

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25 December 2008

His Excellency Mr. George W. Bush, President of the United States of America Washington, DC.

Your Excellency,

I take much pleasure in sending Your Excellency my best wishes on the festive occasion of Christmas and wish you and your family a happy and prosperous New Year.

Mohamed Nasheed President of the Republic of Maldives

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